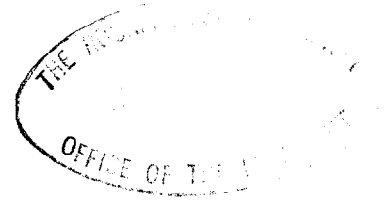


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Dear Josh:

I apologize for the delay in writing to you concerning my suggestion that you convene a panel of consultants to the Rockefeller University for the purpose of acquainting them with the very real opportunity which you have to initiate a unique psychiatric research program and to get the benefit of their advice as to how to proceed. Both of us, I believe, have been swamped with work on this IOM document, to say nothing of the usual post-vacation meetings, etc.

A small group of consultants should include Frederick K. Goodwin, M.D., Chief, Clinical Psychobiology Branch, Intramural Research Program, NIMH; William E. Bunney, Jr., M.D., Chief, Biological Psychiatry Branch, Intramural Research Program, NIMH; and Dennis L. Murphy, M.D. Chief, Clinical Psychopharmacology Branch, Intramural Research Program, NIMH--these three individuals can be reached at 9000 Rockville Pike Bethesda, Maryland. In addition, I would recommend that you include someone from the Extramural Research Branch of NIMH who would be involved with the funding of a research center which I presume you would request support for. I would recommend Dr. Louis A. Wienckowski, Director, Division of Extramural Research Programs, NIMH, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fischers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20852. In addition to these NIMH consultants, I think it wise to ask Bob Michels to sit in with you and to include several members of your university who would have interest in relating to such a program. Finally, I would recommend that you ask a potential candidate, e.g., Ross Baldessarini, M.D., Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard and Acting Director of the Mailman Research Center at the McLean Hospital in Belmont, Massachusetts, who I recommended to you for the job when we last talked. He would be an ideal consultant in that he has had experience in setting up the Mailman Center at McLean. In addition, you might wish to include Daniel X. Freedman, M.D., Professor and Chairman of Psychiatry at the University of Chicago,

who is probably the leading department chairman in the country, having chaired the President's Commission on Mental Health Task Panel on Research. He is a brilliant thinker and someone who knows most of the young talent in our field.

I wish you well in developing a program of excellence. You should have no difficulty in recruiting an outstanding person for this job given the reputation of your university and the resources available through NIMH, Cornell, and your own budget. Recruiting to New York City may be the only drawback in the equation, but I was very pleased to note the positive piece in last Sunday's New York Times' magazine section which heralded, for me at least, a change in direction in migratory habits of the wealthy!

Hope to see you soon. Our best to Marguerite.

Sincerely,



H. Keith H. Brodie, M.D.  
Professor and Chairman

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